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REJOINDER TO CIRCULAR OF HARRIMAN AND HAWLEY.

#### Intimates That a Snap Game Was Played to Commit Him-Proposed Negotiation With Osgood Over Colorado Fuel and Iron Control-A Stock Market Fight ?

This further statement by George J. Gorld bearing upon the break that he has had with E. H. Parriman and Edwin Hawley over Colorado Fuel and Iron proxies

was given out at his office last evening: I have read the very surprising circular of 24th inst., addressed by Messrs, Hawley and Harriman to the stockholders of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company. In some respects it is a direct misstatement of facts and in others an ingenious perversion of truth. Several conferences were held, but with no definite results. At one of these conferences proposed to ascertain whether a board could be made up on an agreement with Mr. Osgood, assigning him two seats. This plan was proposed to Mr. Osgood after the con ference of Nov. 6, and was abandoned, as I became evident that Mr. Osgood could elect a considerably larger representation than tha The matter was thus left wholly in an undetermined state when I left for the

No form whatever, either of circular or of proxy, was shown to me or received my ap-proxal. The conference referred to was erely a stage in negotiation and was not conclusive on any point whatever. ny absence in the South I learned by wire that e circular and form of proxy, the one signed my name, and the other including my name ointly with those of Messrs. Hawley and Harriman, had been mailed to the stockholders Immediately upon my return I disgrowed this proceeding in a similar comtaunication addressed to Messrs. Hawley and larriman, a copy of which has already been

In a discussion with Mr. Hawley on Friday ast, when he was asked by whom and under whose instructions the circular and proxy ad been prepared, he made no claim that ! ad seen forms of either, but explained that in tructions for their preparation had been tiven to counsel by a third party after the onference of Nov. 6. Mr. Hawley later etinitely disclaimed any recollection of any ich forms having been presented or having been the subject of consideration at the conbeen prevailed upon to revise his recollection pon this point

The Hawley circular states: That at a subsequent meeting on Friday list. Nov. 2. Mr. Gould proposed that the roxies already obtained should be divided between himself and the undersigned. The latter, however, insisted that, under circumstances, the proxies should be re-

The quality of this statement will appear from the facts. The facts are that at a meeting between Messrs. Hawley and Harriman nd myself, at which Mr. Winslow S. Pierce was present, on Thursday last-the day interview mentioned in the cir cular-Mr. Pierce, in an effort to avoid the public discussion which would result from a return of the proxies, suggested that the proxies should be divided or should be voted by a substitute for candidates selected on he basis of a division. He urged this course oth then and at an interview with Mr. Hawley on the following day, when I expressed myself as willing to follow the course hus suggested for the reason thus urged. The suggestion was not mine-my judgment and desire, expressed and repeated, was that the proxies should be returned. I also requested from Mr. Hawley an opportunity to ee the proxies received. This was declined.

until my return from the South. It was the quite evident to me that the action in sending out the circulars and proxies which had been taken in excess of any understanding with me and without authority from me would, if permitted to stand, place in the hands of Messrs. Hawley and Harriman the unrestricted use of all proxies received, including those which might have been received upon the faith of the association of my name-the proxies having been so worded as to b available to them as a majority of the attor neys named therein, to the exclusion of myself

believed tand later developments have confirmed this belief; that the action in sendprecipitation and at this inconclusive stage in order to make a public committal which it was believed I would not disayow and to ure control as above suggested.

It was reported in Wall Street that a meeting had been held between George J. Gould and J. C. Usgood, chairman of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, and that as a result Mr. Gould would join his interests with those of Mr. Usgood in the fight for the control of the f.cl company which will come to a head at the annual meeting to be held at Denver on Dec. 10. Mr. Osgood had no statement to make about that report or about any phase of the Colorado Fuel and Iron situation. Wall Street took it for granted that a big stock market fight was going on between

stock market fight was going on between these interests and one of the news agencies made the statement that there had been selling of the Harriman stocks by Gould brokers this week and that also the Harriman brokers had been persistent sellers of the Gould stocks. Both Harriman and Gould stocks, at any rate, were weak.

It was believed in some quarters that the rupture between Mr. Gould on one side and Mr. Harriman and Mr. Hawley on the other has been brewing for some time. made the statement that there had been other has been brewing for some time. One of the street reports was that stock market operations in the so-called Gould stocks, which occurred some time ago. and which were accompanied by well cir-culated reports that not only wers the Gould interests concerned in them but that they had the backing of the Harriman and Rockefeller interests as well, had re-sulted in friction between the latter inter-ests and Mr. Gould, the Harriman-Standard ests and Mr. toolid, the Harriman-Standard Cil interests not liking the use of their names as a backing for speculative stock market operations in Gould stocks. Another phase of the matter that was the subject of talk following Mr. Gould's statement given above was that Winslow S. Pierce had been one of Mr. Gould's chief delications in what he had done

advisers in what he had done.

The question was raised in Wall Street yesterday as to whether, the transfer books f the company having been closed in this State for the coming annual meeting on Dec. 10, the stock now being bought in the open market can be voted at the annual meeting The master in chancery under whose supervision the meeting will b held is now taking testimony as to whether the stock bought since the closing of the books in this State on Nov.19 can be voted.

#### \$1.000 FOR EACH TRAIN ROBBER. Rattroad Will Give That Reward for Every Bandit Killed by Employees.

CHICAGO, Nov. 25 .- The Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company, in conjunction with the United States Express Company, issued a joint reward to-day of \$5,000 for the arrest and conviction of the men who robbed their train early on Saturday morning. In addition to this, the Burlington read announces that it will pay \$1,000 to any employee who may kill a train robber

#### UNIONS ATTACKING THE GUARD? Many Brooklyn Militiamen Persistently Absent From Drills.

Poor attendance at drills among the militia regiments of Brooklyn for the last three weeks has caused the officers in some of the organizations to start an investigation with a view to ascertaining whether the influence of the labor unions is at work The indifference to duty of the members of the Fourteenth Regiment has been so marked that a court-martial has been compelled to sit each night for two weeks and will continue to sit indefinitely.

Major John J. Foote, head of the court, said last night that while the members who appeared before him did not admit that the labor unions were the cause of the disaffection, the impression was constantly gaining ground that such is the case.

"I am told," he said, "that the only possible reason that can be found is the attitude of labor organizations toward the National Guard. The recent trouble at Schenectady, where a labor-union order directed that a man should not remain in the Guard, must have had some influence in this city. There are many men in each regiment who would be affected by a decision of this kind if it were made general."

In the Twenty-third Regiment the atcause, but have failed. Major F. A. Wells seid last night that it was not thought to be due to labor-union antagonism. Still, no other cause could be assigned.

In the Forty-seventh Regiment, which is composed largely of mechanics, the same trouble and conditions exist as in the Fourteenth.

An officer whose position makes his statement of value said that should it be discovered that labor unions were influencing the members of the Guard to remain away from drill with a view to causing the men to be dishonorably discharged, some of erence. His circular indicates that he has the most drastic measures of the law would be enforced.

"Men have been imprisoned for continued neglect of duty," he said significantly.

### HOT CHASE OF BRIDAL COUPLE. But Mr. and Mrs. Perry C. Pentz Got Away

From the Jokers. Perry Carter Pentz, son of President Pentz of the Fourteenth Street Bank, was married to Miss Ella M. Sanger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene B. Sanger of 244 West 104th street yesterday afternoon. The ceremony took place at St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal Church, Sixty-ninth street and Broadway. A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents.

Pentz is a practical joker and a Naval Reserve man. Several of the ushers were also jokers. They were Dr. L. R. Williams, Herbert Mead, Edward Raaf and Dr. John Moorhead. They and some others of Pentz's friends had arranged to follow the bride and bride groom in three carriages. which were filled with boxes of rice, noodle hearts, old shoes, confetti and such things, and to advertise the marriage by a con-

Pentz had guessed that much, so he got a very fast pair of horses to draw him and his

bride. He also did other things. followed, but at 102d street and West End avenue a carriage, whose driver had been hired by Pentz, drove directly across the path of the three pursuing vehicles. When they slowed up six hu kv men jumped out from the corner and each nabbed a horse by the bridle. This, too, was Pentz's

The pursuers jumped out and gave battle but the six men held their own until the police came up. The bluecoats were at first inclined to arrest the six brigands. but when the story came out they only laughed.

Meanwhile the bride and bridegroom had got over into Central Park. The three carriages got after them and waited for the fleeing couple at several entrances. The Pentzes, however, drove around for an hour and then managed to slip out at Fiftyninth street and Fifth avenue.

The ushers heard of this and searched the for the couple at all the hotels, but couldn't find them. Then they acknowledged themselves beaten and opened bottles at their own expense in a Twenty-sixth street restaurant.

### SHUTTLECOCKED OVER SEA. Ward Line Can't Lose This Extle From New York and Havana.

stowed away aboard a Ward liner at this port about a month ago, intending to land randas running around three sides of it at Havana, where he had lived several and there will be a bridge running from the years. He had never become a citizen of

He expresses a willingness to go on sail-ing forever. The Ward Line doesn't know what to do with him. He will be due here soon and doubtless will take another trip to the southward unless the Spanish Gov-ernment decides that it will take charge of

erament decides that it will take charge of him. He seems disinclined to go anywhere else except to Cuba and New York.

The Ward Line may solve the puzzle by making him an employee. Otherwise he may be a Castilian sea rover forever.

The line has another problem to mediate on in the case of Angelo Gallini, an Italian who left this port to take a job as a waiter at the Hotel de Inglatierra in Havana. The Cubans have the same law about contract laborers that we have and about contract laborers that we have and they sent Gallini back. He arrived yester-day aboard the Ward liner Morro Castle and was sent to Ellis Island. He has lived in this country four years and has taken out his first papers. It is likely that he will be permitted to land.

Royal Blue Line Tours to Washington. Thursday, Dec. 4th. Ah . 1 benses, including rall and hotel, for three days, only \$12 from New York. Inquire Baltimore & Onlo ticket offices. — Adv.

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## MORRIS PARK'S SUCCESSOR.

MAGNIFICENT RACETRACK TO BE BUILT NEAR JAMAICA.

Beimont Park Will Be Three Times as Large as Present Course of Westchester Racing Association - Five Courses in All-May Run Reverse Way.

numbered. There will be racing at the Westchester track next season, but after that the big track will be cut up and the Westchester Racing Association, which controls the sport there, will open on Long Island what will be the finest racecourse in America. The new plant will be known as Belmont Park and will be situated beyond Jamaica on the Garden City and Hempstead branch of the Long Island Railroad between the stations of Queens and Floral Park, just outside the city limits. When the track has been completed will have cost \$1,500,000 and there will not be a dollar's worth of mortgage on it. The Westchester Racing Association did not purchase the property until vesterday. The land was bought some time ago by private individuals who gave an option to the Westchester Racing Association which was held until certain formalities had been gone through with. Under the provisions of the State law which governs the sport, the consent of the Racing Commission tendance has been markedly low for several | composed of August Belmont, E. D. Morweeks. The officers have striven to find the gan and John Sanford, was necessary be fore the deal could formally be made.

The Westchester Association, therefore, in a communication to the Jockey Club, outlined the plan and promptly received an indorsement from the stewards. Then the approval of the Racing Commission was received and the Westchester Racing Association was, therefore, at liberty to proceed legally.

Ground will be broken at once, as the plans have all been drawn. The new track will be in area about three times as large as Morris Park. It will include 666 acres of land and is about a mile from the Creedmoor rifle range. It is 32 minutes' ride over the Long Island road from the Flatbush avenue station, Brooklyn, and 27 minutes from East Thirty-fourth street, this city. When the new rapid transit facitities have been completed the running time by each route will be reduced by five minutes. In order to build the track the Westchester Racing Association will increase its capital

stock to \$1,200,000. The property abuts the city line, thereby complying with the requirements of the Racing Commission, which does not approve of the building of new tracks within the city limits. The train sheds are over the city line, however. South of the Hempstead turnpike there is a stretch of 421 acres. On this ground the racing plant

proper will be constructed. There will be the regular circular track of a mile and a half. Inside of it there will be a turf course of a mile and three furlongs. Within the latter will be a turf hurdle course of a mile and a quarter, while there will also be the usual steepiechase course through the field. There will be a mile chute straightaway, although only seven furlongs of it will probably be used in racing events. which will be constructed on the lines of the Futurity course at Sheepshead Bay. Outside and beyond the far turn of the main track there will be a mile course for train-ing purposes, which may be used in connection with the regular course if necessary, North of the turnpike there will be another mile track for the training of year-

When Mr. and Mrs. Pentz started out in their carriage the other three carriages followed, but at 102d street and West End mile in length will extend under the turnpike to the paddock, the idea being to do away with the habit of men and boys leadnorses down the track where accidents

are liable to occur. The main track will be a "right hand" affair. That is to say the races will be run in exactly the opposite direction to that at the other local tracks. The jockeys will be a "right hand" will have the rail at their right instead of left hand which will be an innovation not only to them, but also to the spectators as well. This idea has not been formally decided upon, but it has been under addecided upon, but it has been under advisement and is at present very favorably thought of. But there may be a change later on when the matter has been more at Monmouth Park in 1890, but was not

voted a success.

The grand stand will be an immense affair, larger than the one at Westebester It will be 759 feet long, 169 feet deep and 50 feet high with a cantilever roof of ste The seating capacity will be for 11,000 spectators. The stand will be divided in spectators. The stand will be divided in the middle by a promenade leading back to the retiring rooms and the restaurant. Back of the stand will be the betting ring, a huge affair 200 by 280 feet, with a glass roof. There will be accommodations for two rows of layers.

The field stand will be 250 feet long and

will seat 5,500 people. There will be room on the broad lawn in from of both structures for 25,000 more, with unlimited ac-commodations beyond the field stand and in the infield.

The clubhouse will be a three-story structure with all the modern conveniences. Constancio Garcia, a native of Spain. It will have three separate dining rooms, one for women. There will be broad vesecond story to the grand stand for the convenience of patrons. The paddock will be 86 by 275 feet, with a slate roof having

Cuba.

He was sent back to New York and landed at Ellis Island. Commissioner of Immigration Williams ordered him deported and he was put aboard the Ward liner Monterey on Nov. 13.

When the ship arrived at Havana the Cuban authorities refused to let Garcia land. He was taken to Vera Cruz. The Monterey's skipper told him he might land there if he liked. He said he would land at New York or Havana but at no other port.

The Monterey is on her way back from the second floor and the office of the secretary. All of these structures will face the northeast, so that during the faces of the spectators. The siyle of Italian Regaissance will prevail everywhere. New York or Havana but at no other port.

The Monterey is on her way back from Vera Cruz, with Garcia aboard.

The Monterey is on her way back from Charles W. Leavitt Jr., of 15 Cortlandt street, who rebuilt the Saratoga and Eennings tracks, has drawn up these plans and will have charge of the building of the new

Belmont Park will be built on level ground. is ten miles from Hempstead P pere a new track was said to be a visoment to replace Morris Park. advisement to replace Morris Park. Five miles away and west of the new racecours is the track of the recently organized Metropolitan Jockey Club, in which P. H. McCarren and T. D. Sullivan are lending lights. The present lease of Morris Park extires on Jan. 1, 1904, and the Westchester Racing Association expects to have Belmont Park in shape by that time. The reason for abundance Morris Park was the fact that the Messrs. Morris would not lease it for a term of years and recently gave their consent to the New York and Port Caster Railroad to pass through the property. As the new read will serve greatly to increase the value of property in Westchester county, it was concluded that no

pester county, it was concluded that no pectrack could be confluenced there in dure, except under heavy fixed charges as to taxes and rental. As the Westchester Racing Association has alma y accepted entries for stakes to be a unit 1505, 1904 and 1905, payments on account of which autrogate \$4,000 and will also accept entries for events to be run in 1905, an immediate change of location was reemed desirable.

Briarcliff Milk occupies the highest pianacle To "break up" a cold, take Jayne's Expectorant. - Adv

# POISONED CANDY MAILED TO HER COLOMBIA BLOCKS THE CANAL.

Philadelphia Woman Has a Close Call From Death Husband Thinks It a Joke.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 25 .- Mrs. Harry F. Ackerhausen, wife of a liquor dealer at 2835 Ridge avenue, is critically ill from eating of a box of poisoned cream chocolatecovered mints mailed to her on Sunday night. A narcotic had been injected into several of the candies, while in others small The days of beautiful Morris Park are | pins had been placed.

> Mrs. Ackerhausen received the box yesterday morning. She had swallowed several of the creams before her teeth clenched on a hard substance. In the candy she found several small pins. Investigation showed that others contained pins. An hour later she became unconscious. When physicians arrived the woman was in a state of coma. Emetics were administered, and after vigorous treatment the woman was taken out of immediate danger. It is believed that she swallowed a number of the pins, however, and an X-ray investigation will be made of her stomach.

The police have been able to find no clues. Mrs. Ackerhausen is a comely woman of 31 years and is Ackerhausen's second wife.

### POSTMEN TO JOIN LABOR UNION. If Keller Is Dismissed Compers Suggests

Affiliation With His Organization. WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.-The Civil Service Commission is collecting evidence in regard o the alleged action of J. C. Keller, president of the National Association of Letter Carriers, in opposing the election of Representative Loud of California. It was said some time ago that the letter carriers were responsible for the defeat of Mr. Loud at the recent election.

Keller is a letter carrier in Cleveland, O., but during the campaign went to California on leave. Complaint was made to the Post Office Department that he was taking part in the campaign against Mr. Loud, and the Department telegraphed him to return to his

turies in Cleveland. Keller remained in California three weeks after the telegram was sent. If, as a result of the investigation now going on, Keller should be dismissed from the service, it has been suggested that the letter carriers' organization affiliate with the American Federation of Labor. This suggestion is said to have originated with Samuel Gompers, president of the Federation.

### AMERICAN CAPTAIN KILLED. Aceldentally Shot by a Pilot on His Schooner at Porto Rican Port.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. SAN JUAN, P. R., Nov. 25 .- Capt. J. Stevens of the American schooner John I. Snow, at Fajardo from New York, was accidentally shot by Frank Stoddard, a pilot. He was taken to the hospital, The American torpedo-boat flotilla, con-

sisting of soven vessels, which will take part in the West Indian manor wres, together with the tug Leyden, with a coal arge in tow, has sailed for Culebra Island. The Executive Council has decided to cable to the Vandergrift Construction Company of Philadelphia, granting the company's request for a franchise to construct an electric railway from San Juan to Ponce. provided the company furnishes a bond in the sum of \$100,000 and deposits \$10,000 for the faithful performance of the conditions

of the franchise. The Council doubts the probability of the project, and the requiring of a bond will test the good faith of the petitioners.

### STORM SLOWED BIG KAISER. But 5d. 22h. 44m . Isn't Bad for a Winter

Passage West. The North Cerman Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse arrived last night at Quarantine from Bremen, Southampton and Cherbourg, after being delayed several hours by rough weather. Her time was five days twenty-two hours and forty-four minutes, and her average was 20.64 knots. She ha

She came in this time commanded by Captain O. Cuppers, formerly commander of the Hohenzoilern of the same line, her forme the Hohenzohern of the same line, her former Captain Riogemann having gone to take charge of the new flyer the Kaiser Wilhelm H. Engineer Bohm has also gone to the new steamer, and the present engineer in F. Zganka, formerly of the Grosser Kurfterst. Dr. Von Holl ben, the German A mbassacor to the United States, and Fritzi von Bardeleben-Scheff, the operatinger, were passeners on the big Kaiser. She had 337 in the ocbins and 783 in the steerage.

### ROOM FULL OF GAS EXPLODES. Mr. Doty Went in With a Lighted Taper, but Was Not Badly Hurt.

J M. Doty moved into the three-story trick house at 362 West Fifty-fifth street two days ago and yesterday they had the gas tur. ed on. Mrs. Doty was in the front room on the second floor last night when her hus and started with a lighted taper to light the gas in the back room.

to light the gas in the cack room.

The chardener there had faller of, but
Mr. Doty chart know it. When he went in
with his right there was an explosion which blew out every pane of glass in the hous-and same it miss both glasses. Mr. Doly was knowed flut, but wasn't burt mach, and are Doly, as she expressed is later, say down said. He say in a moula m, but before the eagle scame, Porke men rieman and whena, had darown ou a Hazing mattress, which was the only tiding able. an. Dony had some of his bruises fixed up | ing going over the list of forty or more

#### BRIDE'S THEOAT CUT. Her Rusbend's Throat Also Cut-She Is Bead and he May Recover.

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 25.-Lee Weigel, railroad mar, was married to Miss Mary Quantat Ambston, Ala., one week ago to-day and immediately left that place. registered at a Texackana hotel yesterday and were found to-day in their room with their threats cut. The woman was dead, her threat galased from ear to ear. The man is in a precerious condition, but the surgeons think he win recover.

### Judge Earl's Condition Uncaanged.

UTICA, N. Y., Nov. 25.—The condition of former Chief Judge Robert Earl of the Court of Appeals is unchanged. Slight nourishment has been given. He is, at times, partly conscious but unable to speak. nysicians hold out no hope

> Burnett's Extract of Vanilla Watch a Man Drink "Black and White"

the 20-hoor train octween New York and Chicago the New York Central and Lake Shore "The Century Limited" Ade

THOUGHT TO PLAN SALE OF TER-RITORY ELSEWHERE.

Negotiations on Point of Being Broken Off-Colombia's Attitude Renders Uncertain Granting of Consent for I's to Complete the Panama Route.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 .- A question of the gravest international importance oc cupied almost the entire attention of the President and the Cabinet at their regular meeting to-day. It concerned the negotiations with Colombia for the conclusion of a Panama canal treaty. Secretary Hay made a minute explana-

tion of the status of the negotiations, and his report was not only discouraging but indicated that the attitude of the Colombian Government was such as to render it uncertain whether it would give its consent to the construction of the canal.

The negotiations have come to a standstill; in fact, it is not going too far to say that they are virtually on the point of break

It is understood that Mr. Hav told the Cabinet that the Colombian Minister in Washington, Schor Concha, who declares that he possesses plenary powers to negotiate a treaty, had rejected the terms proposed by the United States for a canal right of way. This Government is unwilling to offer more liberal terms, and, as one officer of the Administration expressed it, is "mark-

The perverse attitude of the Colombians is attributed here to a new and startling cause. The Administration has some reason for believing that the Government of the South American republic is not only indifferent to the matter of making a treaty with the United States, but contemplates a coup which may result in the sale of the canal properties to some other nation or to some private company that will undertake to complete the project.

The concession granted to the Panama Canal Company was to have expired in 1904, but was extended until 1910. There is now a suspicion on the part of the authorities here that Colombia is preparing to declare the extension void and take possession of the canal property in 1904 for the purpose of selling it to the highest bidder.

While it is beyond the bounds of reason to believe that the United States will consent to the completion of the Panama canal by any other nation than Colombia, the matter of its construction by private persons is one of more serious concern. For the present, however, nothing can be done except to press upon Son or Concha the necessit; of modifying his conditions of transfer

### ROBBERS BREAK THROUGH WALL. Assault a Safe With a Siedgehammer, but

Go Away Defeated. A gang of bold burglars broke their way through a stone wall into the big clothing store of Browning, King & Co. at the junction of Fulton street and DeKalb avenue, Brooklyn, on Sunday, with the evident intention of rifling the safe in the office on the first floor which contained more than \$3,500, most of which was the Saturday

receipts. Although they apparently worked leisurely and without any apprehension of surprise they gave up the job before they had made much impression on the safe with the sledgehammer and other tools.

The robbers started from a flat house De Kaib avenue nearly half a block from De Kalb avenue nearly half a block from the store, and passed over the roofs and into a vacant loft on the third floor of of an adjoining building. They then dug a hole through the thick brick wall. This opened over a stairway and necessitated a drop of over fifteen feet. A second hole was then dug close to the Fulton street side of the building, through which they entered.

They must have been at work, according o the police, five or six hours. The burglars oft behind them a bottle half filled with whiskey, two sandwiches, a box of matches and a lot of half-burned eigarettes. They took nothing.

### TO MAKE CAPE MAY A NEWPORT. Syndleate, of Which George Gould Is Said

to Be a Member, Buying Land. CAPE MAY, N. J., Nov. 25,-Twenty million dollars of New York, Philadelphia and Pittsburg capital is said to be back of the syndi cate which is now buying land, taking options and securing franchises in and about Cape May with a view, it is said, of making a second Newport.

In the syndicate are said to be George Gould and Henry C. Frick, but this is denied. Mr. Gould's attorney, however, has been here looking over the lands that the syndicate has purchased. The known men in the enterprise are Charles Fitzgerald and Samuel Shields of Pittsburg, Anthony M. Zane of Philadelphia and Representative Frank G. Edwards of Bristol, Pa., but they are agents of the real members of the syndicate. More than \$215,000 has been expended in the purchase of tracts of land on and near to the beach, and the syndicate has obtained control of the electric light plant. The low lands are to be filled in and a drive made. and a fine hotel and cottages are to be

### INSPECTING P. O. SITES. Federal Commission Finds Many of the

Offers Were Not Authentic. Postmaster Van Cott, Collector Stranahan and United States District Attorney Burnett spent two hours yesterday in the Postmaster's private office in the Federal Buildsites supposed to have been offered for the new uptown Post Office. With a big map spread before them showing the sites they studied the general situation, and then sallied

forth to inspect some of the properties. ollec or Stranahan said t We have found that a large number of he sites on our list have been submitted by rsons wholly without any authority to

oner the properties."

It is understood that the list of properties offered by responsible bidders is very short. The commission sent letters to the owners of the various sites inquiring whether the oherings had been made with their con-sent. Up to Monday afternoon not over a half dozen affirmative replies had been

### Russell Sage Has Not Retired.

Mrs. Russ Il Sage has authorized a statement that her bush and has not contemplaced retiring from active business and is rerely taking a long rest to recuperate. The statement was called forth by a report that he intended to visit his office only once a month when he is a 1 to get out again

All the great trains of the Middle West connect with the New York Central Lines. Superior dining service on all carough trains -Adr.

## MARCONI NOT READY.

Wireless Messages to King Edward From Canada Not Sent Vesterday.

SYDNEY, Nova Scotia, Nov. 25.-Signor Marconi refused to make any statement to-day in reference to the report that a message was about to be sent from Lord | President Baer Telegraphs to Washing-Minto, Governor General of Canada, to King Edward by wireless telegraphy. He stated, however, that he would make an announcement as to the success of his work in a short time.

#### SAGE'S FARM SOLD FOR TAXES. Bid In by Rockland County for 847-But He Can Get It Back.

NYACK, Nov. 25.—Russell Sage lost his farm, which is about four miles from Nyack,

this morning. The sale of land throughout Rockland county for unpaid taxes began at the court louse, this city, to-day, and Mr. Sage's farm, which had been advertised for sale in two of the country newspapers for several

weeks, was one of the first to be taken up. This farm consists of a fine piece of property at Sickletown, and is occupied by E. C. Rand, who has lived on the place for several

When the property was put up at auction no outside persons indicated any desire to buy it, and the county bid it in for the \$47

Mr. Sage, of course, has a chance to redeem it, by paying the taxes and the expense of advertising.

#### CHILDREN DIED OF POISON. Their Parents, Who Collected Insurance, Are Inder Survelllance.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 25.—An analytical | Coxe Brothers & Co. and John Markle of examination has shown that arsenical G. B. Markle & Co. poisoning caused the death of Annie Williams, aged 9, and her sister Josephine, aged 3 years, who died within a day of each other a month ago at their parents' home, 1135 Vienna street. The investigation has also disclosed that another child of the family, Laura, aged 11 months, died in January of last year. The three children January of last year. The three children were insured and a few days after their deaths the parents collected \$300 from a The meeting adjourned at 3:25 P. M., New York insurance company.

John W. Williams and his wife, Emma, both of whom are under police surveillance, say that they cannot explain how the poison was administered to the children. Annie and Josephine became ill about Oct. 15. and died within a week.

#### TO FIGHT UNION LABOR. Master Builders to Adopt a Plan of Lockouts for Mutual Defence.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 25.—The Builders' Exchange, composed of master builders of this city, adopted a plan to-day to force strikers on their operations to come to terms. Their agreement provides for sympathetic lockouts in cases where disputes with employees cannot be settled by the firm involved. The feeling here is that the effect of the anthracite coal commission inquiry is to make union labor more powerful and to require equal solidarity

of employers to cope with it. An advisory board of five will be appointed by the president of the exchange. To this board is to be referred any dispute workmen. If the board cannot settle with his adjustment being made at this time, insisting this advisory board is to have power to order a general lockout on all operations being carried out by members of the

### association. GIRL'S WILD LEAP FOR LIFE. Dropped Twenty Feet and Landed on a

Roof Five Feet Square, Uninjured. WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Nov. 25 .- Lulu Cox, 13 years old, had a remarkable escape from death to-day. At 7 A. M. there was a small fire in the home of her father, Frank L. Cox. Firemen were called and the noise they made awakened Lulu, who was asleep in a third-story room. She opened a window and climbed to the roof. She was bare-

footed and attired only in her nightrobe. The child looked over the side of the roof and saw a one-story addition more than twenty feet below. Grasping the gutter with her hands she gave one scream and dropped. She struck on her bare feet on the roof of the addition, which is built on an incline and is only five feet square. Grasping an open shutter she saved herself from tumbling. The firemen took her to the

### ground uninjured. TAR AND FEATHERS CASE UP. McDonald Tells in Court How He Was

Humil'ated in Marion, Mass. PLYMOUTH, Mass., Nov. 25.-James McDonald, who was tarred and feathered by balf a hundred Whitecars at Marien last August because of his relations with the wife of Charles F. Potter, and Mrs. Potter were the chief witnesses to-day at the trial of the seven Marion young men charged with the crime. McDonald described his capture by the Whitecaps at the Potter house, told of leing stripped naked, painted with tar and rolled in feathers, after which he was ridden on a fence rail. Mrs. Potter also told of the descent of the villagers upon her home. She said they had taken off her clothing in the yard, slapped her face and threatened to hang her.

Police officers brought a common fence rail into the cautteen or which were traces.

#### \$5,000,000 FOR MRS. T. H. MASON. Copper Magnate Leaves to Her the Bulk of His Fortune.

rail into the court room on which were traces

The will of Thomas Henry Mason, who was a director in several copper mining companies and who died on Nov. 15 at his residence, 215 Madison avenue, has been filed in the Surrogates' office. He leaves the bulk of his fortune, estimated at about \$5,000,000, to his widow, whom he married three years ago. He also bequeaths \$5,000 to the trustees of Woodiawn Cemetery for the care of his burial plot. \$3,000 to the New York Infant Asylum of Mount Vernon, \$5,000 to his friend, John C. O'Brien, \$5,000 to his coachman, Liva \$1,000 to Adelia Brunges. Edward Williams, and

### Ex-Mayor Pratt a Suleide.

CAMDEN, N. J., Nov. 25 .- Ex-Mayor Jesse Pratt committed suicide this morning in his home by shooting himself through the head. Ill health, together with grief over the death of his old friend, Surrogate George S. West, whose sudden and mysterious death oc-curred last Saturday, led to the act.

E. C. Stedman for President of N. E. Society The nominating committee of the New England Society has named E. C. Stedman for president. The election is next Tuesday

### Fruit Is Ripe and Ro .e. Bloom California. Best piace to winter this Winter. It was to go is the Golden State Limited. Tickets, Wondway. Adv.

### PRICE TWO CENTS.

THEY DECLINE TO GO INTO CON-FERENCE WITH MITCHELL.

COAL OPERATORS WON'T YIELD

ton That They Want the Coa! Commission to Go on With Investigation

-Independent Operators Say So, Too. The coal operators had a conference in this city yesterday and refused to meet John Mitchell, president of the Mine Workers' Union and his associates. In response to an invitation for a conference in Washington on Friday President Baer of the

Reading sent the following telegram: "The conditions are such that no substantial progress toward an adjustment can be made by the suggested meeting. The general judgment of the operators is that it will be best, for the present, to go

on with the hearing." The weekly meeting of coal presidents in this city was attended yesterday afternoon by the full committee of independent operators, who came here to enter a protest against the discontinuance of the hearings by the anthracite coal commission, and also against a settlement of the differences with the miners without further testimony being taken. It was attended by George F. Baer, president of the Reading Railway: Thomas P. Fowler, president of the Chtaria and Western; W. H. Truccdale, president of the Lackawanna; R. M. Olyphant, president, and David Willcox, general counsel, of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company; E. B. Thomas, chairman of the Erie board of directors: Alfred Walter, president of the Lehigh Valley; Irving A. Steams of

Though the latter two are individual operators, they had nothing to do with the committee of independent operators which attended the meeting. The chairman of the committee was W. L. Connell, treasurer of the Green Ridge Coal Company, who is also Recorder of Scranton, Pa. Mr. Connell and H. C. Reynolds of the Wyoming Coal

and about an hour later the following state ment was given out by Mr. Baer: The following private operators:

The following Private Operators.
Clear Spring Coat Co.
U. L. Cake, Gen. Mgr.
W. H. Gearnart, Sec ty.
James J. Jermyn. Jermyn & Co.,
A. D. & F. M. Spencer
Mt. Jessup Coal Co., Ltd., W. W. Watson, Treasurer,
Moosle Mountain Coal Co. W. W. Watson, Treasurer,
West End Coal Co.,
Ltd., C. D. Simpson.
L. Coal Coal Co., Ltd., C. D. Simpson. J. L. Crawford, President. H. W. Kingsbury, Gen. M. People's Coal Co., Stevens Coal Co., Elliott McClure & Co., J. N. Kler. Vice-Pres. and

Edward Sturges, Pres. Edward Sturges. Pine Hill Coal Co., Clarence Coal Co., Robertson & Law, Dolph Coal Co., Ltd., Austin Coal Co... and Gen. Man.

Carney & Brown,
Black Diamond Coal Co.,
Rant Coal Co.,
Rant Coal Co.,
Green Ridge Coal Co.,
W. H. Gearbatt, Pres.
Green Ridge Coal Co.,
W. L. Coanell, Treasurer,
Wyoming Coal & Land Co. H. C. Reynolds,
The Nay Aug Coal Co.,
C. G. Bradbury, Secretary,
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The Nay Aug Coal Co. W. J. Hands, President.
C. G. Bradbury, Secretary
William Connell & Co., William Connell.
together with a number of operators from
other regions, including Mr Lewis A. Riley,
president Lehigh Coal and Navivation Company, Mr. Taylor, of the St. Clair Coal Couppany, and Mr John Markle, met the coal presidents who had signed the request to the
President of the United States.
They presented a protest against any

adjustment being made at this time, insisting that the principles involved were so serious and affected so many interests that it was necessary row to have the commission hear all the facts and pass its judgment upon the whole controversy.

Mr. Simpson, as chairman, read a paper, expressing their views, and other gentlemen expressed decided opinions.

In the midst of the conference, the request came from Washington to the operators of both classes to meet Mr. Mitchell and bis associates next Friday monring at 10 o'clock. The parties present, without dissent, instructed Mr. Baer to make the following answer:

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While the meeting was in session a telegram from Washington was received by the coal presidents. Shortly afterward a burst of handelapping was heard, but what caused it could not be learned.

Just before the meeting adjourned C. B. Simpson of the committee of independent.

operators gave out a statement which they had read at the conference. It follows: First-We believe that such a settlement it this time and upon the basis suggested would forever establish the power and perwould forever establish the power and per-petuate the injustice perpetrated by the union mine workers.

Second—That such a settlement would be in the eyes of the public a confession that we have heretofore been guilty of all the offences

in the eyes of the public a confession that we have heretofore been guilty of all the offences charged against us.

Third—What we have and believe that you have such a perfect and complete defence to the allegations made by the complainant before the commission that any money award the commission could render would be far less than the amount we understand it is proposed to concede specially to miners and their laborers.

Fourth—That, aside from any money consideration, this commission, composed, as we believe, of men that are absolutely fair, unbiassed and of unusual experience and good judgment, in their finding will make such declarations as will for many years put a ban upon unlawful practices, oppression of non-union men, unjustifiable demands and other grievances that we have been structling under since 1000, when the union first took possession of our property.

If, on the other I and, this settlement be made now, when not a single witness has been called on our part or en your behalf, it will be an absolute and distinct surrender to the miners' union, and the troubles above referred to will not only be continued, but so magnified as to be absolutely unbearable.

The hearings before the anthracite coal commission present the first opportunity that the coal operators ever have had of tresenting their case before the general public, who are really an important third party, since an abstract at least of these proceedings is published all over the United States, and it is the daty that we owe to ourselves as well as to them to prove that the continued and repeated charges of injustice, barbarity, and experiences as presented already shows such provices of the provices to do.

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The case as presented already shows such we kness that we believe that they the miners, were almost disheartened when the suggestions for a compromise were made. We believe that any surrender on our part, which would be practically what this compromise would amount to, would be by far the most serious mistake ever made in the anthracite

scrious incisions.

SCRANTON, Pa., Nov. 25.—The independent operators who went to Now York to see the presidents of the coal-carrying roads represented this city to-night. They said presidents of the coal-carrying translatured to this city to-night. They said that President Baer had told them they need not concern themselves further about a settlement with the mine workers, as he settlement on a consent to an advance of as would never consent to an advance of as much as 10 per cent, with a nine-hour day

added. All that remains to be done now, the operators say, is to await the reassembling of the commission in Scranton and then ahead with the introduction of the testimony.

#### CONFERENCE A FAILURE. Commission to Continue Its Work and Name the Terms.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25. - An agreement be ween the operators of the anthracite coal

The Train for Chicago

the Pennsylvania Special. Twenty hours enoute. Every comfort of home club and office.